

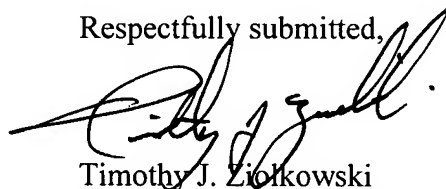
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REMARKS

Applicant appreciates entry and consideration of claims 1–7 presented herein. Claims 8–23 have been canceled. As indicated previously, the present application claims priority of allowed U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/191,335. Applicant respectfully believes that claims 1–7 also define the present invention over the known art. Therefore, Applicant respectfully believes that claims 1–7 are in condition for allowance and a Notice of Allowance is accordingly requested.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this Amendment, he is cordially invited to contact the undersigned.

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